

Reply to Office Action of 06/20/2005  
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### Listing of Claims

1 Claim 1 (Original): A high resolution potentiometer comprising:  
2 a plurality of digital potentiometers connected in parallel.

1 Claim 2 (Original): A high resolution potentiometer comprising:  
2 a first digital potentiometer and a second digital potentiometer connected in parallel, wherein  
3 said first digital potentiometer is operable to be set to offer a first resistance and said second  
4 digital potentiometer is operable to be set to offer a second resistance, wherein said first  
5 resistance is not equal to said second resistance.

1 Claim 3 (Currently Amended): The high resolution potentiometer of claim 2, further  
2 comprising a controller block to cause said first digital potentiometer and said second digital  
3 potentiometer to respectively offer said first resistance and said second resistance.

1 Claim4 (Currently Amended): The high resolution potentiometer of claim 3, wherein  
2 said controller block receives a desired resistance value and sets said first digital  
3 potentiometer to provide said first resistance and said second digital potentiometer to  
4 provide said second resistance such that the effective resistance provided by said high  
5 resolution potentiometer at least substantially equals said desired resistance.

1 Claim5 (Currently Amended): The high resolution potentiometer of claim 3, wherein  
2 said controller block receives values corresponding to said first resistance and said second  
3 resistance, and sets said first digital potentiometer to provide said first resistance and said  
4 second digital potentiometer to provide said second resistance such that the effective  
5 resistance provided by said high resolution potentiometer at least substantially equals a  
6 desired resistance.

1 Claim 6. (Original): The high resolution potentiometer of claim 3, further comprising  
2 a resistor connected in series with said first digital potentiometer and said second digital  
3 potentiometer connected in parallel.

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1 Claim 7 (Currently Amended): ~~The high resolution potentiometer of claim 3;~~ A high  
2 resolution potentiometer comprising:  
3 a first digital potentiometer and a second digital potentiometer connected in parallel,  
4 wherein said first digital potentiometer is operable to be set to offer a first resistance and said  
5 second digital potentiometer is operable to be set to offer a second resistance, wherein said  
6 first resistance is not equal to said second resistance; and  
7 a controller block to cause said first digital potentiometer and said second digital  
8 potentiometer to respectively offer said first resistance and said second resistance.  
9 wherein said first potentiometer, said second potentiometer and said controller block  
10 are implemented in a single integrated circuit.

1 Claim 8. (Original): A system comprising:  
2 a first digital potentiometer and a second digital potentiometer connected in parallel,  
3 wherein said first digital potentiometer is operable to be set to offer a first resistance and said  
4 second digital potentiometer is operable to be set to offer a second resistance, wherein said  
5 first resistance is not equal to said second resistance.

1 Claim 9 (Currently Amended): The system of claim 7, further comprising:  
2 a controller block to cause said first digital potentiometer and said second digital  
3 potentiometer to respectively offer said first resistance and said second resistance; and  
4 a processor.

1 Claim 10 (Currently Amended): The system of claim 9, wherein said controller block  
2 receives a desired resistance value from said processor and sets said first digital  
3 potentiometer to provide said first resistance and said second digital potentiometer to  
4 provide said second resistance such that the effective resistance provided by said system at  
5 least substantially equals said desired resistance.

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1 Claim 11 (Currently Amended): The system of claim 9, wherein said controller block  
2 receives values corresponding to said first resistance and said second resistance from said  
3 processor, and sets said first digital potentiometer to provide said first resistance and said  
4 second digital potentiometer to provide said second resistance such that the effective  
5 resistance provided by said first digital potentiometer and said second digital potentiometer  
6 are connected in parallel at least substantially equals a desired resistance.

1 Claim 12. (Original): The system of claim 9, further comprising a resistor connected  
2 in series with said first digital potentiometer and said second digital potentiometer connected  
3 in parallel.

1 Claim 13 (Currently Amended): ~~The system of claim 9;~~ A system comprising:  
2 a first digital potentiometer and a second digital potentiometer connected in parallel,  
3 wherein said first digital potentiometer is operable to be set to offer a first resistance and said  
4 second digital potentiometer is operable to be set to offer a second resistance, wherein said  
5 first resistance is not equal to said second resistance;  
6 a controller block to cause said first digital potentiometer and said second digital  
7 potentiometer to respectively offer said first resistance and said second resistance; and  
8 wherein said first potentiometer, said second potentiometer and said controller block  
9 are implemented in the form of a single integrated circuit.

1 Claim 14 (New) The system of claim 13, further comprising a processor, wherein said  
2 controller block receives a desired resistance value from said processor and sets said first  
3 digital potentiometer to provide said first resistance and said second digital potentiometer  
4 to provide said second resistance such that the effective resistance provided by said system  
5 at least substantially equals said desired resistance.